

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ICAR PAYMENT AND OUTSTANDING
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ICAR failed to check payment of advances and outstanding advances accumulated to Rs. 1013.61 lakh as on March 31, 2000 against officials, private parties and Government organisations; and

(b) if so, the details of action taken or proposed to be taken against the persons responsible for not clearing the outstanding dues?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) ICAR, which has 98 Research Institutes, National Research Centres; Project Directorates through out the length and breadth of Country, is a pre-deposit party for the purpose of availing the services of Government Departments like CPWD, DGS&D, CPS DAVP, etc. for execution/ procurement of certain works/stores respectively. As such release of advances to various Govt. Organizations as well as Contingent, TA, LTC advances, as per the rules, to its employees is an ongoing process. These advances are closely monitored periodically for early settlement/ adjustment as per rules. Majority of these advances are relating to CPWD which is the authorized agency for construction works. These advances are paid in three installments and the adjustment is received when the construction work is completed and building is taken over.

(b) All the Govt. departments are pursued closely to render the adjustment account expeditiously. The adjustment of advances given to departmental employees is made as per the General Financial Rules. In addition to the concerned Unit the ICAR Headquarters also monitor the progress of adjustment of outstanding advances on quarterly basis by obtaining the report in the prescribed proforma from all constituent Units of ICAR. The position of outstanding advances is also monitored twice in a year through Standing Finance Committee and Governing Body of ICAR.